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(54) **GLOVE WITH AMMUNITION HOLDER**

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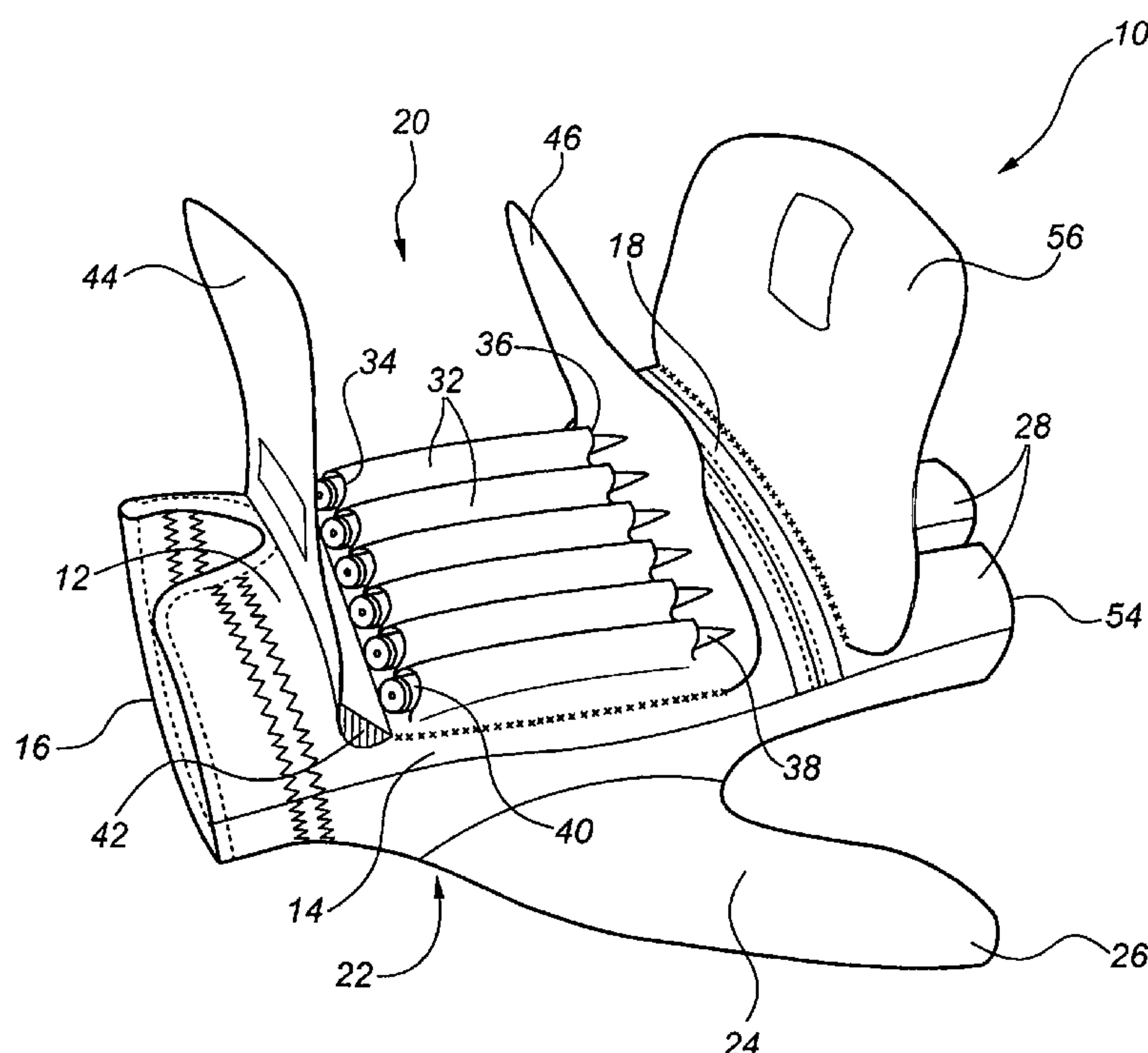
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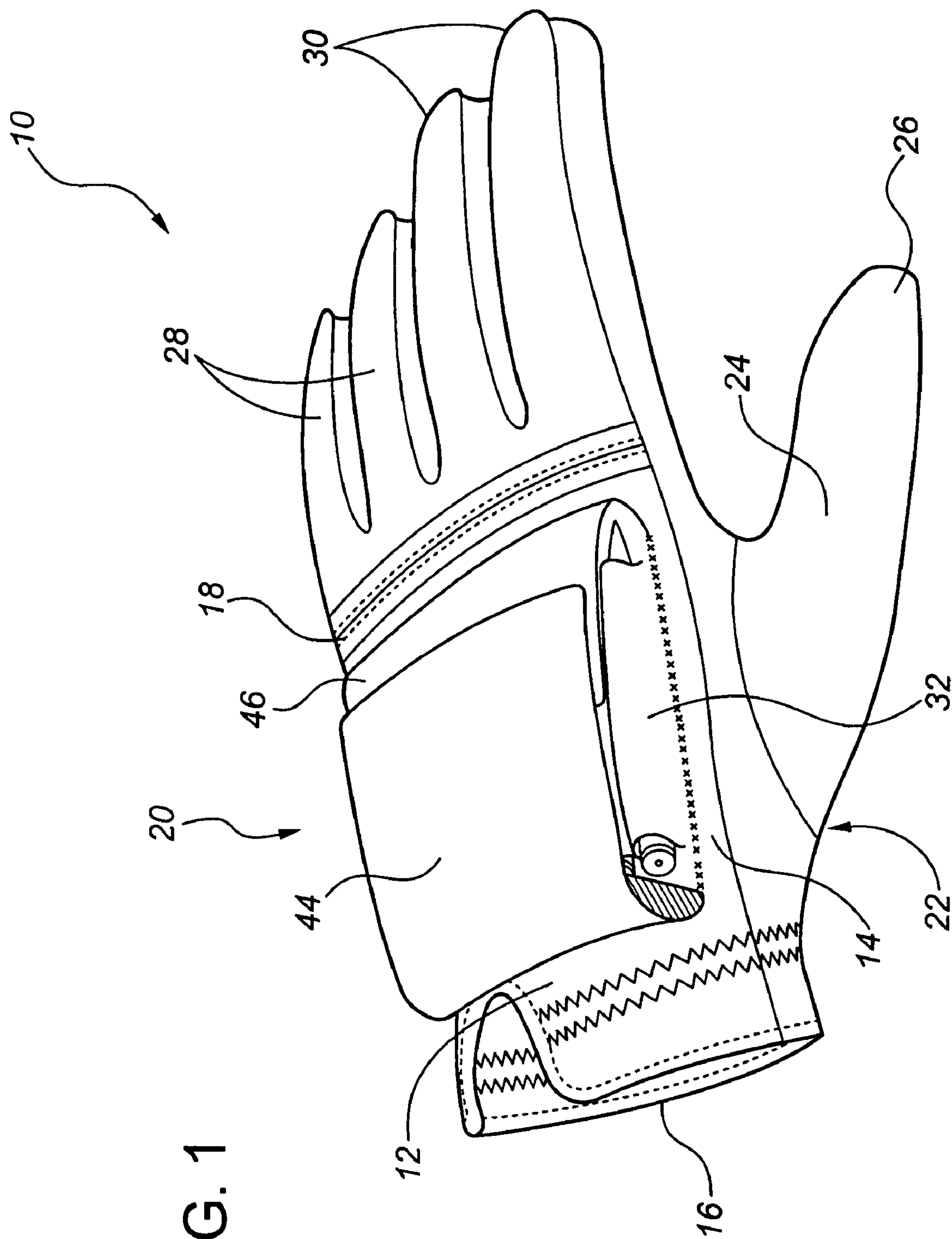
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(57) **ABSTRACT**

A glove includes a body having a palm sleeve with a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face. A thumb sleeve is secured to the palm sleeve. A plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves are secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve. Each ammunition sleeve has a first end and a second end. Each ammunition sleeve is adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve. When ammunition is carried in the ammunition sleeves of the glove described above, it is much safer than carrying a loaded gun while crossing rugged terrain.

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**FIG. 1**

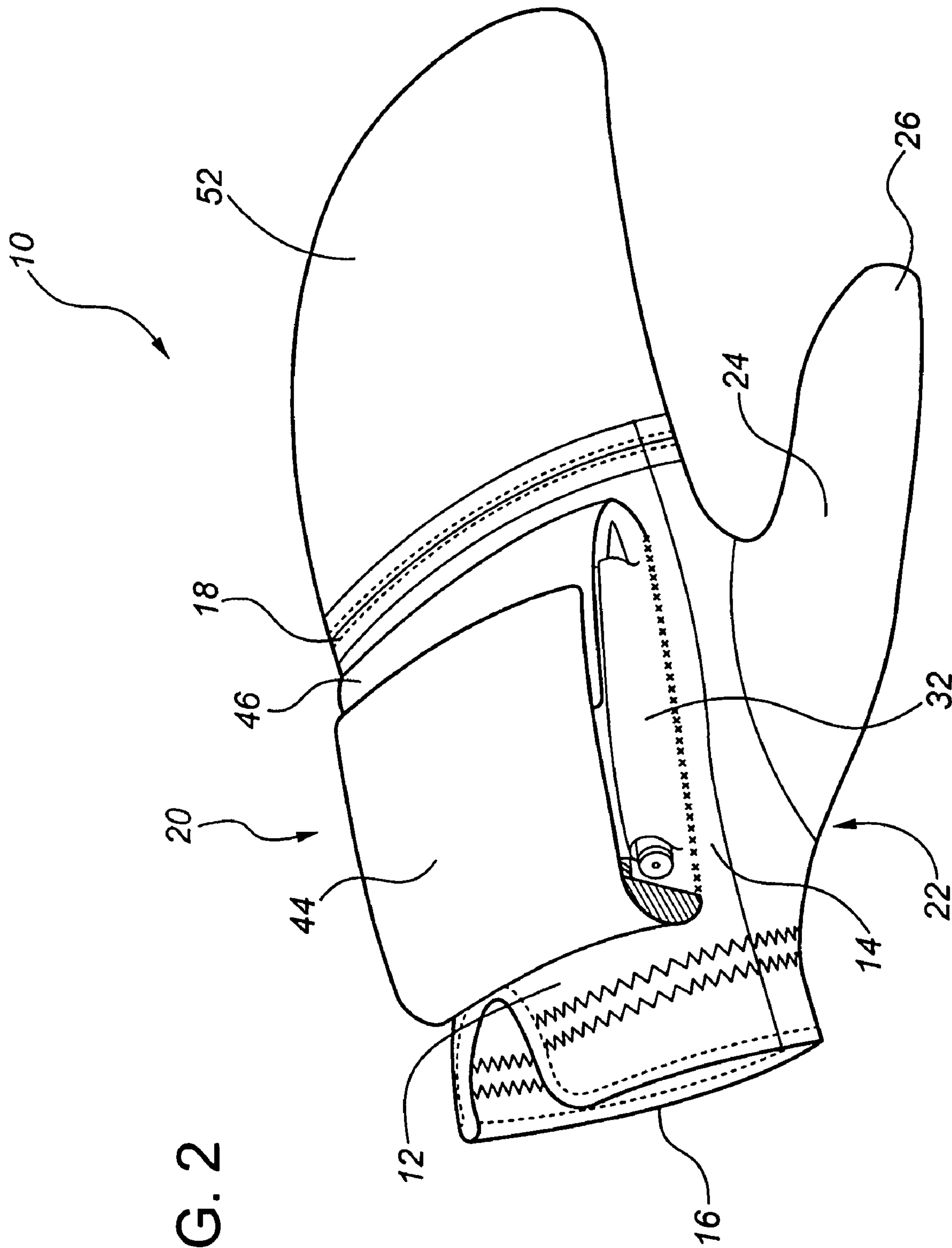


FIG. 2

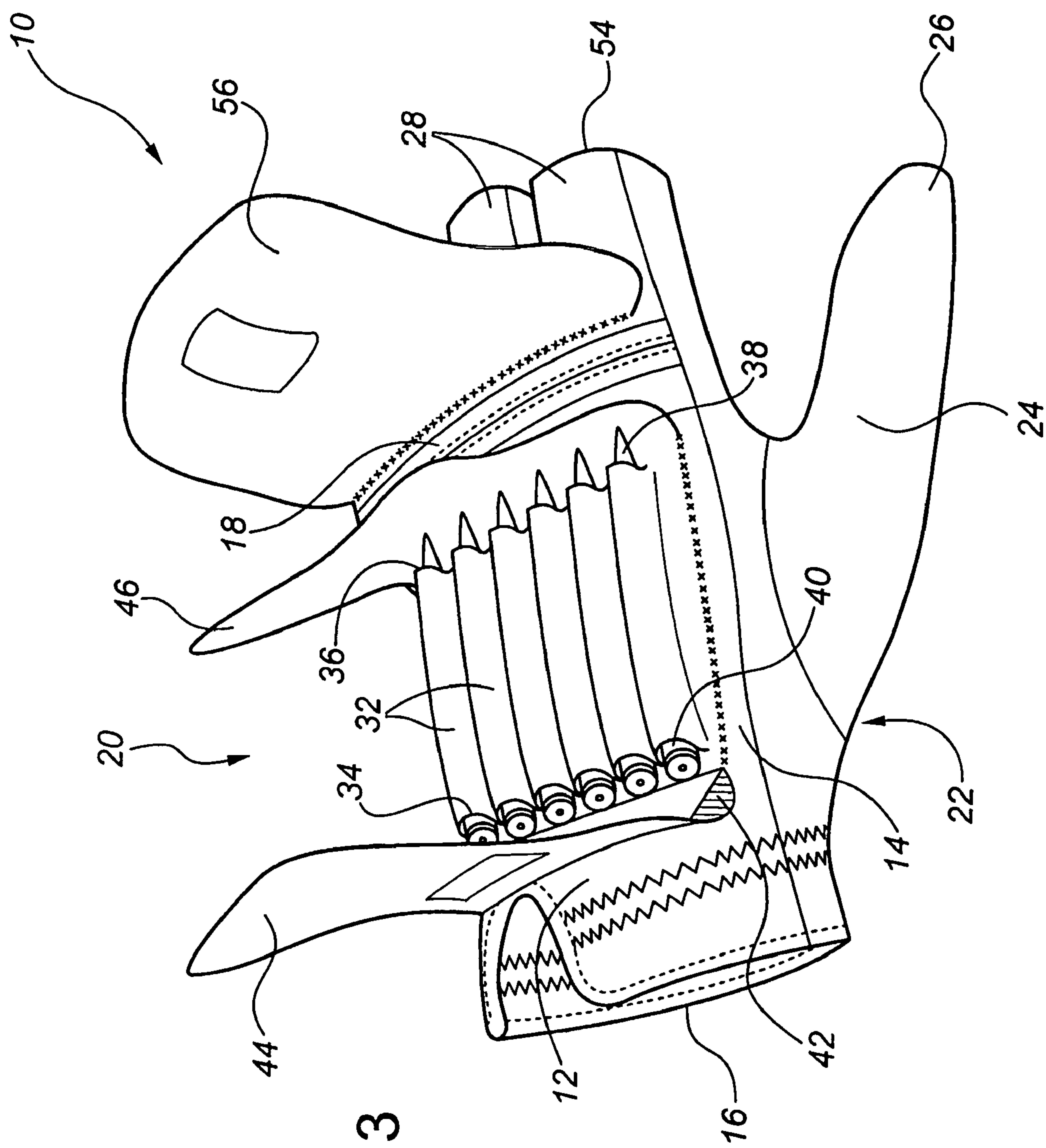


FIG. 3



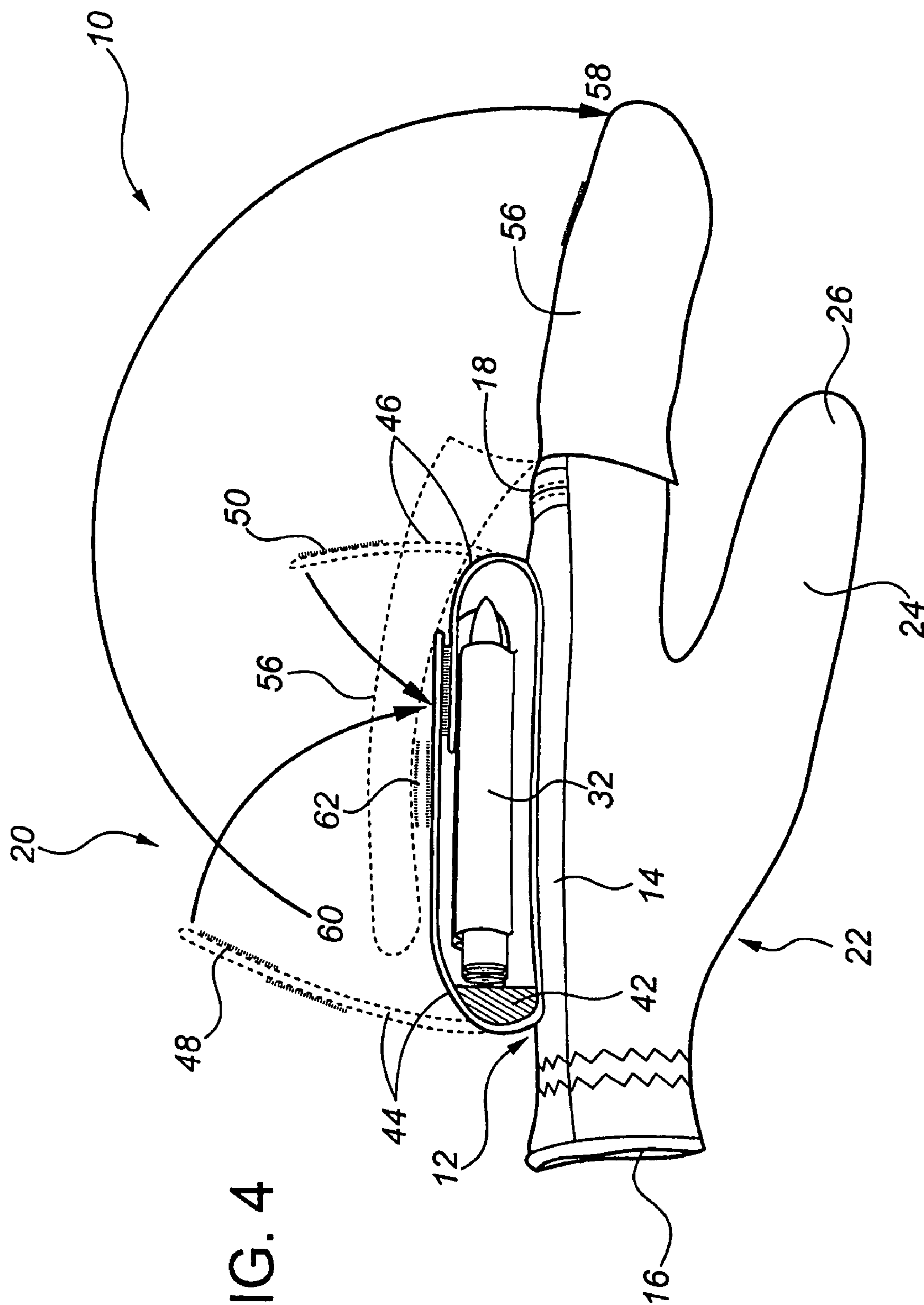


FIG. 4

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**GLOVE WITH AMMUNITION HOLDER****FIELD OF THE INVENTION**

The present invention relates to a glove for use by hunters, 5  
which is capable of holding ammunition.

**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

Gun Safety courses for hunters frequently teach that the 10  
hunter's gun should not be loaded until the hunter arrives in  
the vicinity of the intended game. The reason for this  
teaching is that there is a risk of the hunter shooting his  
companions by accident, if he should stumble crossing  
rugged terrain or fall while climbing over an obstacle. In 15  
some jurisdictions this has become part of hunting etiquette.  
In other jurisdictions this is the law. It is an unfortunate  
reality that hunters who obey these safety rules sometimes  
miss an opportunity for a shot at their intended game, when  
they unexpectedly flush out the game while their gun is still 20  
unloaded.

**SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION**

What is required is a glove in which the hunter may 25  
conveniently and safely store his ammunition.

According to the present invention there is provided a  
glove which includes a body having a palm sleeve with a  
hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a  
palm face. A thumb sleeve is secured to the palm sleeve. A 30  
plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves are secured in  
parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the  
palm sleeve. Each ammunition sleeve has a first end and a  
second end. Each ammunition sleeve is adapted to receive a  
single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge 35  
oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve.

When ammunition is carried in the ammunition sleeves of  
the glove described above, it is much safer than carrying a  
loaded gun while crossing rugged terrain. The ammunition  
may be rapidly accessed should a shooting opportunity 40  
present itself.

Although beneficial results may be obtained through the  
use of the glove, as described above, even more beneficial  
results may be obtained when a guard is spaced from the first  
end of each ammunition sleeve. The guard protects the base 45  
of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the  
shell cartridge to fire. The glove can take various forms and  
there are additional features which may be added, as will  
hereinafter be further described in relation to the embodi-  
ments illustrated.

**BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS**

These and other features of the invention will become  
more apparent from the following description in which 55  
reference is made to the appended drawings, the drawings  
are for the purpose of illustration only and are not intended  
to in any way limit the scope of the invention to the  
particular embodiment or embodiments shown, wherein:

FIG. 1 is a perspective view of a glove with ammunition 60  
holder constructed in accordance with the teachings of the  
invention.

FIG. 2 is a perspective view of a glove with ammunition  
holder as illustrated in FIG. 1, in the form of a mitten.

FIG. 3 is a perspective view of a glove with ammunition 65  
holder as illustrated in FIG. 1, in the form of an open-ended  
finger glove.

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FIG. 4 is a side elevation view of a glove with ammunition  
holder as illustrated in FIG. 3 with flaps closed and pouch in  
operative position.

**DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE  
PREFERRED EMBODIMENT**

The preferred embodiment, a glove with ammunition  
holder generally identified by reference numeral 10, will  
now be described with reference to FIGS. 1 through 4.

Referring to FIG. 1, glove 10 has a body 12 having a palm  
sleeve 14 which, in turn, has a hand entry end 16, an opposed  
end 18, a back of hand face 20 and a palm face 22. Body 12  
is further adapted with a thumb sleeve 24 secured to palm  
sleeve 14, thumb sleeve 24 having a remote end 26 which is  
closed. Individual finger sleeves 28 are provided at opposed  
end 18 of palm sleeve 14, and have remote ends 30 which  
are closed. A plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves 32 are  
secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of hand face 20  
of palm sleeve 14. Referring to FIG. 3, each ammunition  
sleeve 32 has a first end 34 and a second end 36 with first  
ends 34 of plurality of ammunition sleeves 32 oriented  
toward hand entry end 16 and second ends 36 of plurality  
ammunition sleeves 32 oriented toward opposed end 18. 25  
Each ammunition sleeve 32 is further adapted to receive a  
single shell cartridge 38 with a base 40 of each shell  
cartridge 38 oriented toward first end 34 of ammunition  
sleeve 32. A guard 42 is spaced from first end 34 of each  
ammunition sleeve 32. Guard 42 is positioned so as to  
protect each base 40 of each shell cartridge 38 from impacts.  
In the illustrated embodiment, six ammunition sleeves 32  
are shown. Referring to FIG. 1, glove 10 has a first flap 44,  
spaced from first ends 34 of ammunition sleeves 32 and a  
second flap 46, spaced from second ends 36 of ammunition  
sleeves 32. It is preferred that guard 42 be secured to first  
flap 44. Referring to FIG. 4, where glove with ammunition  
holder 10 is open, first flap 44 has a first fastener 48 and  
second flap 46 has a second fastener 50 (shown in dotted  
lines). Where glove with ammunition holder 10 is closed,  
first flap 44 and second flap 46 overlap, with first fastener 48  
engaging second fastener 50 (shown in solid lines). In the  
illustrated embodiment, first fastener 48 is the first portion of  
a mating tape fastener and second fastener 50 is the second  
portion of a mating tape fastener, one example of which is  
a hook and loop fastener commonly known by the trademark 45  
VELCRO. It will be appreciated that other means of fas-  
tening may be used. It will further be noted that in each  
embodiment of glove 10 that follows, the description of the  
ammunition holder is the same. Referring to FIG. 2, glove  
10 has a body 12 having a palm sleeve 14 which, in turn, has  
a hand entry end 16, an opposed end 18, a back of hand face  
20 and a palm face 22. Body 12 is further adapted with a  
thumb sleeve 24 secured to palm sleeve 14, thumb sleeve 24  
having a remote end 26 which is closed. In the illustrated  
embodiment, opposed end 18 of palm sleeve 14 is closed to  
form a mitten 52. Referring to FIG. 3, glove 10 has a body  
12 having a palm sleeve 14 which, in turn, has a hand entry  
end 16, an opposed end 18, a back of hand face 20 and a  
palm face 22. Body 12 is further adapted with a thumb  
sleeve 24 secured to palm sleeve 14, thumb sleeve 24 having  
a remote end 26 which is closed. In the illustrated embodi-  
ment, individual finger sleeves 28, having remote ends 54  
which are open ended such that a wearer's fingers protrude  
through individual finger sleeves 28, are provided at  
opposed end 18 of palm sleeve 14. Further, in the illustrated  
embodiment, a finger covering pouch 56 is pivotally secured  
to back of hand face 20 of palm sleeve 14. Referring to FIG.



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4, pouch 56 is movable between an operative position 58 (shown in solid lines), covering remote ends 54 of individual finger sleeves 28, and a stored position 60 (shown in dotted lines), substantially parallel to back of hand face 20 of palm sleeve 14. A fastener 62 is provided to maintain pouch 56 in stored position 60. In the illustrated embodiment, fastener 62 is a mating tape fastener similar to one used to secure first flap 44 and second flap 46. It will be appreciated that other means of fastening may be used.

It will be appreciated by one skilled in the art, that the present invention provides rapid and easy access of ammunition. In the past, hunters have carried ammunition in their pockets. The rattling noise made by the ammunition has sometimes scared game away. The present invention eliminates any such noise.

In this patent document, the word "comprising" is used in its non-limiting sense to mean that items following the word are included, but items not specifically mentioned are not excluded. A reference to an element by the indefinite article "a" does not exclude the possibility that more than one of the element is present, unless the context clearly requires that there be one and only one of the elements.

It will be apparent to one skilled in the art that modifications may be made to the illustrated embodiment without departing from the spirit and scope of the invention as hereinafter defined in the Claims.

The invention claimed is:

1. A glove, comprising:

- a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;
- a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve;
- a plurality of open ended tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge;
- a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves; and
- a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves,
- each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves.

2. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein a guard is spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

3. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein the first ends of the ammunition sleeves are oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves are oriented toward the opposed end.

4. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein individual finger sleeves are provided at the opposed end of the palm sleeve.

5. The glove as defined in claim 4, wherein the individual finger sleeves have remote ends which are open ended, such that a wearer's fingers protrude through the individual finger sleeves.

6. The glove as defined in claim 5, wherein a pouch is pivotally secured to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve,

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the pouch being movable from an operative position covering the remote ends of the individual finger sleeves, and a stored position substantially parallel to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve.

7. The glove as defined in claim 4, wherein the individual finger sleeves have remote ends which are closed.

8. The glove as defined in claim 1, wherein the opposed end of the palm sleeve is closed to form a mitten.

9. The glove as defined in claim 1, the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener.

10. The glove as defined in claim 9, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

11. A glove, comprising:

- a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;
- a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve, the thumb sleeve having a remote end which is closed;
- individual finger sleeves are provided at the opposed end of the palm sleeve, the individual finger sleeves having remote ends which are closed;
- a plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end with the first ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the opposed end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve;
- a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves, and a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves, each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves; and
- a guard spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

12. The glove as defined in claim 11, wherein the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener, the guard being secured to the first flap.

13. The glove as defined in claim 12, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

14. A glove, comprising:

- a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;
- a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve, the thumb sleeve having a remote end which is closed;



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the opposed end of the palm sleeve being closed to form a mitten;

a plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end with the first ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the opposed end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve;

a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves, and a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves, each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves; and

a guard spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

**15.** The glove as defined in claim **14**, wherein the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener, the guard being secured to the first flap.

**16.** The glove as defined in claim **15**, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

**17.** A glove, comprising:

a body having a palm sleeve having a hand entry end, an opposed end, a back of hand face and a palm face;

a thumb sleeve secured to the palm sleeve, the thumb sleeve having a remote end which is closed;

individual finger sleeves are provided at the opposed end of the palm sleeve, the individual finger sleeves having remote ends which are open ended, such that a wearer's fingers protrude through the individual finger sleeves;

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a finger covering pouch pivotally secured to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve, the pouch being movable from an operative position covering the remote ends of the individual finger sleeves, and a stored position substantially parallel to the back of hand face of the palm sleeve, a fastener being provided to maintain the finger covering pouch in the stored position;

a plurality of tubular ammunition sleeves secured in parallel spaced relation to the back of the hand face of the palm sleeve, each ammunition sleeve having a first end and a second end with the first ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the hand entry end and the second ends of the ammunition sleeves oriented toward the opposed end, each ammunition sleeve being adapted to receive a single shell cartridge with a base of the shell cartridge oriented toward the first end of the ammunition sleeve;

a first flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the first end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the first end of the ammunition sleeves, and a second flap spaced from and positioned transversely across the second end of the ammunition sleeves thereby blocking the second end of the ammunition sleeves, each of the first flap and the second flap being movable between a flaps open position and a flaps closed position, in the flaps open position the first flap and the second flap are pivoted out of the way to permit access to the ammunition sleeves, in the flaps closed position the first flap closes the first end and the second flap closes the second end of the ammunition sleeves; and

a guard spaced from the first end of each ammunition sleeve, the guard being adapted to protect the base of the shell cartridge from impacts, which might cause the shell cartridge to fire.

**18.** The glove as defined in claim **17**, wherein the first flap has a first fastener and the second flap has a second fastener, the first flap and the second flap overlapping with the first fastener engaging the second fastener, the guard being secured to the first flap.

**19.** The glove as defined in claim **18**, wherein the first fastener is a first portion of a mating tape fastener and the second fastener is a second portion of the mating tape fastener.

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**CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION**

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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

<u>COLUMN</u>	<u>LINE</u>	<u>ERROR</u>
6 (Claim 17, line 35)	27	“first flag” should read --first flap--

Signed and Sealed this

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